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SUMMAR: TURKISH BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION IS SENDING
TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT AND LETTER TO SECRETARY WELCOMING
PRESIDENT'S INAUGURATION MESSAGE TO FOREIGN PEOPLE AND EXPRESSING
DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE TO STRENGTHENING US/TURKISH RELATIONS.
GROUP OF TOP TURKISH INDUSTRIALISTS HOPE TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT AND
SECRETARY AND SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS DURING VISIT TO
US PROJECTED FORMID-MARCH. EN SUMMARY.

1. PRESIGIOUS TURKISH INDUSTRIALISTS AND BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION
(TUSIAD) HAVE ASKED US TO FORWARD LETTER TO AMBASSADOR FROM ITS
PRESIDENT, FEYYAZ BERKER, ENCLOSING COPY OF TELEGRAM HE IS
SENDING TO PRESIDENT ON BEHALF OF ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS A COPY
OF LETTER TO SECRETARY. TELEGRAM AND LETTER ARE BEING SENT
DIRECTLY TO ADDRESSEES. LETTER TO AMBASSADOR WITH ENCLOSURES
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FORWARDED IN TODAY'S POUCH TO ANKARA; COPIES BEING POUCHED TO
DEPARTMENT FOR S/S AND EUR/SE.

2. TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT WELCOMES HIS INAUGURATION MESSAGE TO
FOREIGN PEOPLES, WHICH INSPIRED AND ACCELERATED DESIRE BY TUSAID
GROUP TO REVIEW AND EXPAND DIALOGUE WITH AMERICANS. IT NOTES
THAT DELEGATION OF TURKEY'S TOP INDUSTRIALISTS INTEND VISIT TO US

IN MID-MARCH IN HOPE OF MEETING, EVEN IF BRIEFLY, WITH PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET AND REPRESENTATIVES OF CONGRESS WITH VIEW TO STRENGTHEN US/TURKISH RELATIONS. MESSAGE COONCLUDES WITH BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS.

3. LETTER TO SECRETARY REPEATS TEXT OF TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT, NOTES AWARENESS OF PRESSURES AND DEMANDS ON TIME OF NEW ADMINISTRATION, NEVERTHELESS, HOPES FOR MEETING IN INTEREST OF IMPROVING BILATERAL RELATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF WESTERN STRENGTH. BERKER NOTES THAT GROUP WILL VISIT US AS PRIVATE CITIZENS, BUT WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT AND SUPPORT OF ALL SECTORS OF TURKISH SOCIETY. LETTER CONCLUDES WITH SINCERE WISHES FOR SUCCESS.

4. LETTER TO AMBASSADOR NOTES THAT TUSIAD REPRESENTS ABOUT HALF OF TURKEY'S PRODUCTION AND EMPLOYMENT IN PRIVATE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY, REFERS TO TUSIAD GOODWILL MISSION IN SEPTEMBER 1975 THAT MET WITH FORMER-PRESIDENT FORD AND APPROXIMATELY 70 CONGRESSMEN AND INDICATES PROJECTED TRIP FOR MID-MARCH IS FURTHER EFFORT UNOFFICIALLY TO PROMOTE US/TURKISH RELATIONS AND TO PRESENT EXPECTATIONS OF TURKISH PUBLIC. BERKER POINTS OUT THAT TRIP IS STILL IN PLANNING STAGE, AND ASKS FOR COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS.
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